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SOMEBODY'S SITTING IN MY CHAIR: Mrs. Gould's 2nd-graders made life-size replicas of themselves and sat them down at their desks. It was part

of the welcome for parents and friends at last week's open house at Crescent Park and Ethel Bissess schools. (Photo by Jeanne Boehman)

MSAD #44

Directors' meeting

The SAD #44 board of directors met in regular session in the multi-purpose room at the Woodstock School on Monday evening of this week.

The meeting was preceded by the annual Teltar Education Association board of directors get-acquainted dinner. William Lowenstein of the state Department of Educational and Cultural Services discussed with the board the in-service workshop that is scheduled for the SAD #44 staff on Oct. 8-9. The workshop is intended to provide participants with an introduction to the disease concept of chemical dependency and is designed to help participants see chemical dependency in ways they can recognize and better understand in their lives and the lives of others. It is hoped that the base of knowledge gained by workshop participants will result in people taking action to help those who are chemically dependent and those who are "affected" because of a chemically dependent parent or sibling.

The directors granted final approval to a revised student attendance policy. (See Superintendent's Newsletter, Page Three.)

The board took no action concerning the overcrowded conditions existing at the Woodstock School at the present time. At a parents' meeting recently held at the school, those attending unanimously favored keeping the classroom as it is currently.

The directors approved the insurance and wage articles of the School Secretaries and Teachers Association for the period of July 1, 1987 through June 30, 1988. For employees wishing to enroll in the district's health insurance plan, SAD #44 will contribute an amount equal to \$779 towards the cost of a single subscription for the 12 month period for school year employees, and \$1,100 towards the cost of coverage under the plan for a full year employee. If an employee elects not to enroll in the group health insurance plan they may receive the following amounts in lieu of insurance coverage: school year employee, \$775; full year employee, \$1,100.

The wage/salary scales in the approved agreement are as follows:

School Secretaries	8 months to less than 2 years	\$6,500 yr.
	2 years to less than 5 years	\$6,800 yr.
	5 years to less than 10 years	\$7,100 yr.
	10 years and over	\$7,400 yr.
Teachers	8 months to less than 2 years	\$8,500 yr.
	2 years to less than 5 years	\$8,800 yr.
	5 years to less than 10 years	\$9,100 yr.
	10 years and over	\$9,400 yr.

Non-Instructional Aides: 6 months to less than 2 years, \$5,500 yr.; 2 years to less than 5 years, \$5,800 yr.; 5 years to less than 10 years, \$6,100 yr.; 10 years and over, \$6,400 yr.

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Bancorp announces first quarter earnings

Bethel Bancorp, the parent company of the recently converted Bethel Savings Bank FSB, has announced its first quarter earnings in a letter to shareholders.

According to Bethel Bancorp President Jim Delamater, net profit for the quarter ending July 31, 1987, amounted to \$182,631.00, or thirty-four and one-half (34 1/2) cents per share. Delamater pointed out that these earnings were achieved without benefit of newly acquired capital as the proceeds of the conversion did not become available until August.

Bethel Bancorp recently acquired \$5.2 million of new capital in a public offering of \$20,000 shares of stock.

"Management is very pleased with the results to date," Delamater commented. "We are looking forward to publishing our first comparative statement as a new stock company on Oct. 31, 1987, which will disclose six months' results."

Total assets of Bethel Bancorp as of July 31, 1987, increased to \$50,003,125 compared to \$46,233,843 at year end, April 30, 1987.

The directors approved the appointment of William Cramton as soccer coach at Crescent Park School, Joan V. Bartlett and Debra Perry were approved as substitute food service workers.

The board accepted the following resignations: Gordon Dillingham, bus driver (school year), effective Oct. 2; and Wilberta Gilbert, custodian (full year), effective Oct. 10.

A request for termination of school attendance concerning an eighth grade student at the Teltar Middle School was approved.

The directors accepted the following bids for sale of two used school buses: V. Kent Mann of Mexico, 1974 Ford, \$625; and George K. Jones of Bethel, 1974 Ford, \$257. Six bids were received for the 1974 Ford, ranging from \$215 to \$625; and eight for the 1975 Ford, ranging from \$65 to \$257.

Following an executive session concerning a substance abuse report on a student at Teltar Regional High School, the board took the following action: the student will attend regular counseling.

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Reunion '87 at Gould Friday-Sunday, Oct. 2-4

It's Reunion '87 Weekend at Gould Academy, Oct. 2-4. Reunion Chairman Tom Hamilton '64 and the Gould Academy Alumni Association Board have worked hard to bring Gould re-unions an exciting weekend of fun and renewed friendships with classmates, Gould graduates, and spouses, from all eras.

Special reunion classes are those ending in 2 and 7. Reunion chairmen for these years hope all their classmates will return to Gould and Bethel for the festivities. Hats off to the following for their enthusiasm: Frances Morse Gammon '22, June Brown Greig '22, Barbara Moore Lucas and Edna Wenzel '37, Hope Bonin Tibbets '49, Betty Grandin Wilcox and Betsy Norton Day '47, Walt Kittredge '51, Martha Gaylon Gault '52, David (Perry) Thornton '57 and Tony Jensen '77.

Additional events not included in the reunion schedule are: Friday evening—class of 1927, The Bethel Inn, cocktails \$4, followed by dinner; class of 1957, The Sudbury Inn, 7 p.m.; class of 1952, Mother's Restaurant, 7:30 p.m.; 25th reunion; class of 1957, Merton and Martha Brown's, Broad Street, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—Hope Bonin Tibbets' home in The Park, following lunch and the banquet.

All alumni and friends are invited to the Alumni Dance at South Ridge Lodge, Sunday River Skiway, starting at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Tickets for all events will be on sale throughout the day on Saturday.

Friday, Oct. 2:
• 3 p.m. Alumni Board of Directors Fall Meeting—Gathering Hall Lounge

• 5 p.m. Reception for Class Agents, Reunion Chairpersons, Alumni Board members and spouses at the home of Al '54 and Lee Barth, Grover Hill Road, Bethel.

• 7:30-9:30 p.m. The Library in Hancome Hall will be open with Gould reunion memories and coffee for individual or class meetings.

Saturday, Oct. 3:
• 8 a.m. Registration desk opens in William Bingham Gymnasium. Just prior to lunch the desk will move to Farnsworth Fieldhouse and will remain

open until 5:45 p.m.

• 8:30-10 a.m. Continental Breakfast served in Bingham Gym where old friends and classmates can reunite.

• 10:30 a.m. Alumni Fun Run, 3.5 miles, open to everyone.

• 10:30 a.m. "Bethel Education 127-1987," a narrated slide show by Dr. Stanley Howe '92-William Bingham Auditorium.

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on duty or the night nurse on duty.

Lawn & Bake sale
Saturday, Oct. 3
from 10:00 to 4:00
Junction of Routes 2 & 26
Newry Corner
Rain Date: Sunday, Oct. 4
Same time
Sponsored by Windy Valleys
Snowmobile Club
to benefit the Oxford County
Association for Retarded Children.

Game Party
Legion Hall - Locke Mills
Every Friday - 6:30 p.m.
Seated Tickets - Early Birds
Doors open 4:30 p.m.
JACKSON-SILVER POST
Hall Rentals: Call 207-824-2847
Post Meetings
1st & 3rd Thursdays 6:30 p.m.

Nurturing Massage
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Relax, Energize, Renew
Fran & Kathleen Szostek
824-2210

Linda's Country Flair
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Mon.-Sat. 8-5, Closed Wed.
Evenings by appointment

Game Party
Legion Hall, Bethel
Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Tickets, Early Games
& News Club
POST MEETINGS
2nd Tuesday 7:30 p.m.

The Mexico-Rumford Walk-in Health Clinic
wishes to announce a flu and pneumonia vaccine clinic to be held on Thursday, October 1 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, October 7 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, October 10 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please walk-in at your convenience.
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Andover residents angered as CMP picks H-Q corridor

As predicted in last week's Citizen, Central Maine Power, late last week announced its preferred corridor to be used for siting a high-voltage powerline to bring 900 megawatts of Hydro-Quebec power from Canada to New England. Upon announcement of the CMP decision, and phone calls to residents along the preferred corridor by CMP officials wanting to have access to their land, angry residents in Andover began a furious letter-writing campaign to the company and to area legislators.

The letters to CMP state variations of the following: "I have no wish to have Central Maine Power Company build a DC high-voltage transmission line on my property, in our town, or through our county. Therefore, I have no intention of assisting you in any manner. This is to notify you that the permission you requested to enter my property is hereby denied."

The proposed 300-foot right-of-way for a transmission line route runs from the

New board in Newry to review ordinances

A new ordinance review committee was appointed by the Newry Board of Selectmen yesterday (Tuesday). Representing the selectmen on the board is Steve Wright; representing developers is Leslie Otten; Stephen Yates is the citizen-at-large. The Planning Board will appoint two of its members to sit on the board, which will review the town's planning and building ordinances to suggest ways of improving them.

Pam Knight reported that six people have volunteered to take the first responder course and more are being sought. The classes will start the evening of Oct. 29 and will consist of 18 weekly three-hour classes taught by Arlene Greenleaf, of Bethel. All lecture classes will be held at the Newry town office, 6:30-9:30 with other classes in Bethel.

Roland St. Pierre, property manager with the Maine Department of Transportation, and Elaine Bonica were in to discuss ownership of a section of former lot 26 in front of the Bonica's property, Bear River Cabins. The town felt that the property belonged to the state and had reverted to Arthur Bonica, owner of the property at the time the road was relocated (in the early 1960s). The DOT

proposition affects the entire family. The Division of Alcohol and Drug Education Services takes the position that an understanding of chemical dependency is essential and basic to the development of programs of prevention, intervention and referral for assistance.

Ms. Chapman emphasizes that the workshop is designed to develop an understanding of chemical dependency as a family disease, intervention strategies and an overview of the treatment process.

The workshop presenters hope that participants will use their knowledge of chemical dependency and constructively help those who are chemically dependent and those who are affected because of a chemically dependent parent, sibling, or friend.

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The proposed 300-foot right-of-way for a transmission line route runs from the

Canadian border to the Jay area. CMP representatives are attempting to meet this week with landowners whose property may be crossed by the new high-voltage direct current (DC) transmission line, which is part of a proposed power purchase agreement with Hydro-Quebec. This line, if constructed, will carry electricity from the Quebec utility's system to a converter terminal in the Jay area.

Last June, CMP filed an application with the Economic Regulatory Administration for a Presidential Permit. At that time, the company recommended a 5,000-foot wide study corridor for the proposed transmission line. "After further study of the corridor and conducted nearly 50 public meetings with state and local officials," continued on Page Three

Foliage Flotilla' on Androscoggin this weekend

The Androscoggin River Foliage Flotilla sponsored by the Friends of Androscoggin, a Bethel area community group interested in the promotion and protection of the river as a recreational resource, will be held on Saturday, Oct. 3. Everyone is invited to participate in the event by boating the river or watching the action from the shore. Boats will be launched into the Pleasant River where it crosses Rte. 2 in West Bethel between noon and 1 p.m. From the launch point, boats will travel down a short distance of the Pleasant River to its confluence with the Androscoggin.

Since there are presently no public launch ramps or parking facilities on or near the Androscoggin River in Bethel, flotilla participants will be using private land owned by Ronald and Lorraine Coulombe to launch boats and loads of Bethel Valley, Maine Lovell and Gerry and Carol Parker to park vehicles. The organizers of the flotilla earnestly request that everyone involved in the event be particularly mindful of the generosity of the landowners and treat the lands with all due respect.

The flotilla will travel through West Bethel and Bethel enjoying the beautiful fall foliage and wildlife of the river and observing the wilderness-like character of much of the river corridor. Boats will begin passing the Rte. 2 bridge in Bethel at approximately 1:30 p.m. and will arrive at the state picnic area on Rte. 2 at the Sunday River Road beginning at approximately 2:30 p.m.

At the picnic area there will be a crew to help remove boats from the water. Refreshments of cider, coffee, hot chocolate, and doughnuts will be available and a celebration of the trip will be held. A shuttle service will operate from the take-out point to bring drivers back to their cars at West Bethel.

The flotilla's organizers urge everyone who enjoys canoeing, kayaking, and messing about in boats, "to participate in this event. To take part, arrive at the Rte. 2 launch site in West Bethel between noon and 1 p.m. with your boat, a U.S. Coast Guard Approved buoyancy device for each occupant, clothing for an October afternoon on the water, and enthusiasm. There is no charge for participation. For more information call Foliage Flotilla co-chairman Steve Keane (824-2608) or Steve Wright (824-2116).

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Opinions

It would have been a non-event

Most people wouldn't bother to go around the corner to watch grown people put on silly costumes and make a bonfire. And that probably accounted for the fact that there weren't more people at the Ku Klux Klan "rally" on Rte. 5, in Rumford Pt., last Saturday. In fact, you could have counted the number of Klan sympathizers on your fingers. They were completely outnumbered by the media, the curious, and the angry.

The angry carried hand-made signs and hot words, telling the Klansmen their racial and religious hatred is not wanted in Maine. Other concerned citizens met in Rumford, Portland, Auburn and Kennebunkport to re-affirm the American ideal that this is a country where everyone is welcome, and everyone works together.

While it was a non-event, the Klan "rally" reminded many that there are those who would destroy the basis of America in the name of racial and religious "purity."

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Recycling coming to Bethel

Thanks to the Adult Activity Center, in Rumford, Bethel residents will now have something better to do with their newspapers, magazines and other paper waste than bury them in the landfill.

As reported last week, the Board of Selectmen gave permission to the Adult Activity Center to construct a shed near the entrance of the landfill in which papers can be deposited and stored. The papers will be picked up by the clients of the Center and sold to an insulation company. They will earn some money, and the Bethel landfill will last many more months as papers will no longer account for much of the waste buried there.

The director of the Center told The Citizen the recycling shed should be functioning within a month. If you want to aid a worthy social agency, and if you want to help prolong the life of the town's landfill, you will use the recycling shed for all your paper waste—except corrugated paper. And tell your friends to do the same.

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A note from the publisher

Little did I realize when I headed out to Sebaco Estates last week that I was going to an area that has more history than Plymouth Rock, in Massachusetts.

The peninsula that separates Casco Bay and the mouth of the Kennebec River is now known as Phippsburg, a spread-out town of slightly more than 1,000 inhabitants. In 1607, the population of the area was approximately 100 Englishmen, who came over on two ships in order to plant a colony there. (Of course there were Indians living in the area, but their numbers are not recorded.)

Here we are celebrating the 200th birthday of the American Constitution, but Maine's colonial heritage dates back another 180 years before 1787.

You'll recall that 1607 was the year of the first settlement in America, at Jamestown, Va. Plymouth Rock wasn't until 1621.

As my wife Mary and I toured around the peninsula, we couldn't understand why the state or the locality hasn't done more to publicize the fact the Sir George Popham and his brave followers chose Maine before Massachusetts. (Of course that's splitting hairs a bit, because Maine was a district of Massachusetts during colonial days.)

Not only is the historic occurrence unpublicized, the site itself and the story surrounding the colony is kept almost a secret. After asking directions of a policeman in a cruiser, we parked where we thought he had indicated. There we found a sign directing us to Fort Baldwin, although the name of the Popham fort was Fort St. George.

Fort Baldwin, as we learned from a native—not from the sign—was built around 1607 and was manned during World War I and World War II, guarding the approaches of the Kennebec, where just upstream the Bath shipyard was turning out warships for the U.S. Navy.

This native directed us up a hill where we found a small monument to the Popham colony. Also, from him, we were shown the bluff where Fort St. George probably sat. There was no marker to attest to the fact, however.

The Popham colony lasted only a winter. Arriving in August, the colonists were surprised when the weather turned bitter cold. About half of them went back home in the fall. Most of the remainder—some, including Sir George Popham, died—made it through the winter and then called it quits in the spring.

It would be interesting to know how the colonists happened to pick such a strategic spot to set up shop. Aside from their fort and Fort Baldwin, there were

any number of other forts built in the area to safeguard navigation up the Kennebec. The forts saw action in the War of 1812 when British warships attempted to attack Bath. A large fort—Fort Popham—built during the Civil War, still stands imposingly overlooking the river estuary.

Eighteen men from Phippsburg died in the Revolutionary War, and small cemeteries are scattered all over the peninsula. There are about 100 in all, and many are completely overgrown.

One has a wonderful sense of history while going from settlement to settlement. Unfortunately, unless you're familiar with the area, you will have a difficult time figuring out the history of the place.

And that's a shame, because it's part of our heritage that should be shared with as wide an audience as possible, not hidden away.

It was especially unfortunate to not provide some understanding of the historical significance of the area because the town was being visited last weekend by a couple hundred journalists from all over the state. You see Mary and I were in Sebaco for the annual convention of the Maine Press Association, as were publishers, editors reporters and spouses from Kittery to Houlton.

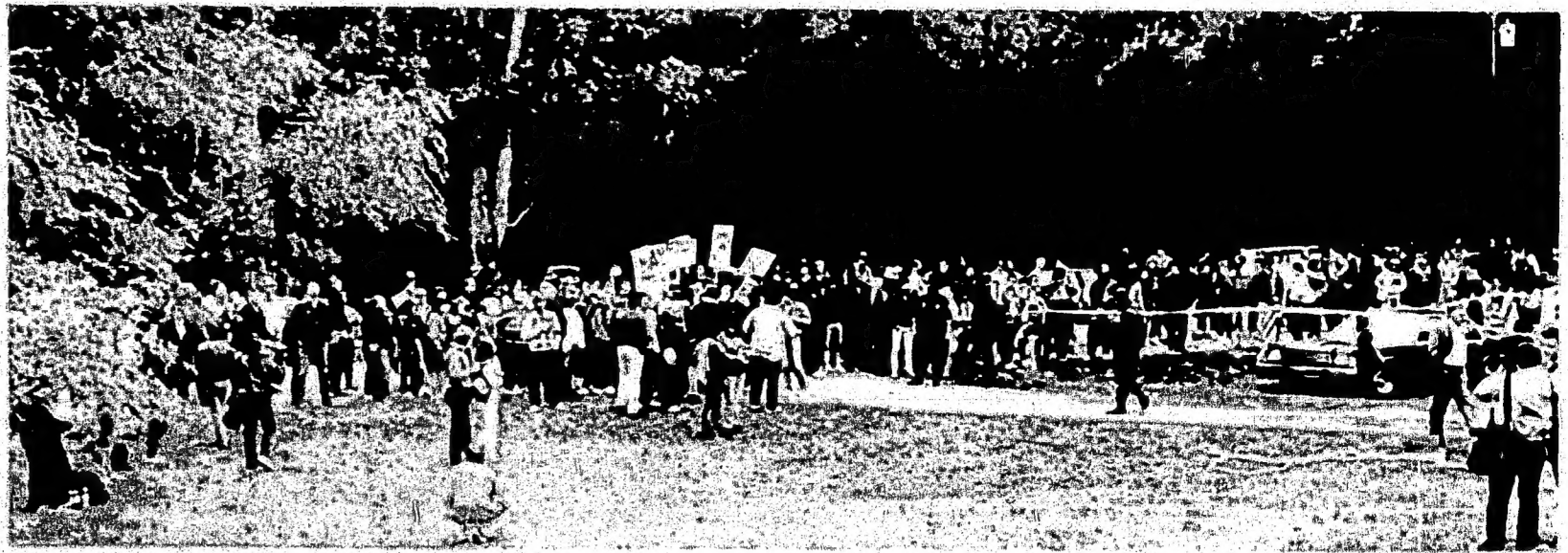
Hosting the Maine Press Association convention is a great opportunity for an area to make itself understood to the state's media. Next year, Bethel will be the host town, and I trust we'll do a better job of showing the visitors what our area is all about.

The convention will be held at The Bethel Inn, and the convention organizers will be in town in a month to begin working out the details. I was elected to the board of directors of the press association and will suggest that the local chamber of commerce be brought into the planning sessions. I would hope that the chamber can organize tours of the local forest industry and the local ski industry, as well as tours of Bethel's historic district. I would hope that when the assembled journalists leave Bethel after next year's convention, they will have a good understanding of the area, which they will be able to impart to their readers.

I'm sorry I can't tell you much more about Phippsburg. It is awfully pretty, and Popham Beach is broad and beautiful. Mary and I ran into Lynda Chandler and her mother, Dorothea Hiltz, strolling on the beach, enjoying a coastal weekend.

I'm also sorry I can't report what awards The Citizen won in the Better Newspaper Contest—part of the convention. For the first time since we began entering the contest three years ago, the paper didn't win any awards. I hope this doesn't mean we didn't do our job properly this past year. If it does, I suspect we'll get letters from readers telling us as much.

In truth, it is nice to win awards from members of the profession. But what the



REPORTERS, CAMERAMEN, PHOTOGRAPHERS, PROTESTORS, uniformed and plainclothes law enforcement officials, as well as merely curious local residents all gathered at the gate of Gerald Cote's farm on Rte. 5, in Rumford Point last Saturday—greatly outnumbering the few out-of-state Ku Klux

Klan members and supporters who were exercising their Constitutional rights of free assembly and free speech. Aside from the predictable posturing on both sides, there was little threat of actual violence, and even less evidence of any coherent dialogue.

(Photo by Mike Daniels)



A KLANSMAN AND FRIEND hustle away from the jeers of protesters at last Saturday's Ku Klux Klan "rally" in Rumford Point.

(Photo by Mike Daniels)

professionals are looking for is not always what our readers want. For example, some of the advice handed out by the big city journalists was not to have ribbon-cutting photos in the paper, and not to have award presentations in the paper, and not to have ads on page 1. We could make these changes, but I think the majority of our readers would not like them.

So we'll continue to listen to advice from all sides, but the advice we value most is the views of our readers. (That's an invitation to drop a line, or a brick, or a bouquet, whenever you feel so moved.)

MYERS ON GOLF TEAM AT UMF

University of Maine at Farmington's veteran golf mentor Roger Wing is very optimistic about the coming fall season. This 1987 fall golf team lists five starters shooting in the 70s during their pre-season practice rounds.

The UMF team is led by returning veterans Jon Ladd, of Norway, Bobby Myers, of Bethel, and Paul Bernier, of Rockport. Myers had a 77 in last year's rain-shortened Bowdoin Invitational and was a WMAC All-Conference selection.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:
The below letter was sent to all SAD #17 board members and signed by 200 teachers (in SAD #17) to express their feelings about negotiations.

Oxford Hills Teachers Association

Dear Board Member:

We would like to take this opportunity to express our concern, confusion, and dismay about this year's teacher contract negotiations.

First, our concern is that you may feel or have been informed, that the teachers' association negotiating team, specifically, and the association, in general, do not reflect the views of the majority of teachers in this district. On the contrary, the association, which is recognized by both the Maine Labor Relations Board and the SAD #17 Board of Directors, not only represents the vast majority of teachers in this district in terms of membership but also reflects the views of the vast majority of all our teachers, members and non-members alike.

Second, our confusion about these negotiations centers on the primary issue in dispute—the salary schedule. Although the association's proposal included a 5 percent index, the OHTA negotiating team indicated from the outset its willingness to consider any better salary structure the board might present. In response to this offer, the board's team withdrew its alternate pay plan from the table and presented instead two structures which were designed "on the spot." The salary increases in these plans were distributed arbitrarily and inequitably. The only justification the board has given us for these proposals is that it does not want to pay teachers "for getting one year older" and that there are a few teachers in this district who do not deserve a raise. This explanation is confusing since under the board's proposal teachers will still be paid "for getting a year older"—except in one instance—but they will not be paid for it at the same rate. In addition, the arbitrary nature of the salary schedule not only fails to insure that "undeserving" teachers—if there are any—will not receive a raise, it also prevents some deserving teachers from receiving one.

The money to fund the salary schedule proposed by the association has already been budgeted by the board and approved by the voters of the district. The present schedule is both equitable and sensible. Why replace it with something that is neither?

Finally, we are dismayed by the reluctance of the board and superintendent to reward the efforts of teachers in this district in contrast to their willingness to praise this district's educational achievements to the public. As the superintendent stated in the opening paragraph of his welcoming letter to the staff this year, "Last year was a very successful year for this school district." The drama club placed first in regional competition, the music and math programs continued their dominance in the state, and the debate team is the state champion for the second year in a row. The high school Odyssey of the Mind team placed fifth in the nation and the junior high OM team placed first. Last month we were informed by the Maine

Cohen criticizes proposed home energy assistance cuts for Maine

Senator Bill Cohen has expressed his "deep disappointment" with the Senate subcommittee decision to make a cut of over 30 percent in the funds allocated to Maine households under the government's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

The LIHEAP program is aimed at helping the poor, particularly the elderly, to pay for the costs of heating their homes. In 1987, Maine received \$24.7 million under this program, enabling it to assist almost 60,000 households with the payment of energy bills.

In a letter to Senator John Stennis (D-Miss.), chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Cohen joined several of his colleagues in expressing his concern over the funding reduction for LIHEAP and urging its restoration to current levels.

"Many members of low income households are now finding it impossible to meet the basic needs of existence—food, housing, and health care," Cohen said. "To slash the already inadequate assistance they may get for their utility expense would be a severe blow."

Cohen noted the impact the funding reduction will have on Maine residents, pointing out that 19,000 fewer households will receive assistance and that "they will have to face the bitter cold winter without help."

"This program is crucial to Maine's poor and elderly who are faced with ever-increasing energy bills," Cohen said. "I will do all I can to see that this decision is reversed. It is important that as many Maine residents as possible obtain the assistance they need." With energy prices rising 20 percent over the past five years, he added, "the LIHEAP program becomes more essential every year for those in need."

The full Senate Appropriations Committee is expected to meet to review this issue this week.

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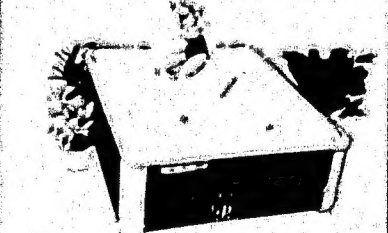
The annual meeting of the Albany Congregational Church will be held at the church on Tuesday, Oct. 13, at 7 p.m.

Educational Assessment that our high school juniors scored 50 points above the state average in math, 60 points above the state average in writing, and 70 points above the state average in reading. Dr. [Kenneth] Smith has credited SAD #17 teachers with educational successes like these. In a recent article published by the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce he explains, "Our kids are average but we produce above average students. The ability of our teachers and their dedication to their work and their classes makes the difference."

These achievements are not the results of a few teachers; they clearly and unmistakably reflect a district-wide effort. It is time to acknowledge the ability and dedication of the teachers in this district by negotiating a fair and equitable contract.

Bill Koch
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• 11:50 a.m. Parade of Classes from the Bell Tower to Farnsworth Fieldhouse.
• 12 Noon, Alumni Luncheon and Annual Meeting of the Gould Academy Alumni Association. Recognition of past and present faculty, the class of '88, and reunion classes-Farnsworth Fieldhouse.
• 1 p.m. Women's Varsity and Men's JV Soccer Team vs. Berwick Academy-Alumni and Barr Fields.
• 2 p.m. Varsity Cross Country vs. Berwick and Hyde School-Alumni Field.
• 2:30 p.m. Women's JV Soccer vs. Berwick Academy-Alumni Field.
• 2:30 p.m. Campus Tour led by Blue Key students for those interested. Admissions Office-Bingham Gymnasium. Sign up before noon at the registration desk.
• 4 p.m. 80th Reunion Reception for the Class of 1907 at the Headmaster's home.
• 4:30 p.m. Wine and Cheese Reception-Farnsworth Fieldhouse. All classes.
• 6 p.m. Alumni Banquet. Awards and presentation of 50 year honorary diplomas to the Class of 1937-Farnsworth Fieldhouse.
• 9:30 p.m.-1 a.m. Alumni Dance featuring the music of Rollins, Tyoe, Hobson and Peterson-South Ridge Lodge, Sunday River Skiway.

Sunday, Oct. 4:

• 10:30-noon. Buffet Brunch, Gehring Hall Dining Room.
• 10:30 a.m. Alumni Memorial Service-West Parish Congregational Church. Alumni are cordially invited to sing with the choir, rehearsal 9:30 a.m.
• 1 p.m. Bethel Historical Society's "Homecoming Days" at the Dr. Moses Mason House on Broad Street. A repeat of Saturday's slide presentation along with a tour of the museum.

SAD #44 directors meet

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sessions with the substance abuse and health teacher-coordinator at Telstar, and become an active participant in one of Telstar's self-help groups. This will remain in place for the remainder of the current school year and will be re-evaluated by the substance abuse and health teacher-coordinator and the Substance Abuse Team prior to June 1, 1988.
Board member Eva C. Twitchell of Woodstock was not present at the Monday meeting.
The next regular meeting of the SAD #44 board of directors is scheduled for 7:30 Monday evening, Oct. 12, at the Andover Elementary School.

New child safety belt law now in effect

The effective date of Maine's new child safety belt law was Tuesday, Sept. 29. It raises to 12 the age at which children must be secured in an auto safety belt or child auto safety seat any time they are passengers in a motor vehicle in Maine.
Albert L. Godfrey, Sr., Co-Chairman of the Maine Safety Commission, is confident that people of all ages will benefit from the law. "Now parents of all children up to 13 must be sure that those children are properly secured when they're riding," he said, "and educational effects are due to impact not only that group but thousands of others as well in regard to safety belt effectiveness."
"During the first six months police will be issuing only warning when the law is broken. After that a violation may result in a fine of \$25-\$50," Godfrey observed. "And I'm delighted to report that Commissioner John Atwood of the Maine Department of Public Safety has assured me that enforcement of the new law will be emphasized."

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Superintendent's Newsletter

Dewaine B. Craig

A year ago the Board of Directors of SAD #44 approved Policy B, Article #21, the Student Attendance Policy. This was an attempt to improve daily school attendance, which in turn will improve the student's regular classroom work and their final grade-course credit. Improving a student's daily attendance habits also teaches a student important attitudes.
Whenever any administrative body attempts to provide regulations affecting people, it is impossible to provide an effective policy without trial and error. Last year was the proverbial year of trial and error. In retrospect, the policy was and is founded on solid educational principle. The enrollment last summer in Telstar's Summer School dropped. This was related to the improved attendance on students in their daily classes.

The Student Attendance Policy worked quite well with approximately 97 percent of the students it dealt with. The remaining three percent of the attendance conflicts allowed the administration, board of directors, and a few students and parents an opportunity to find problem or conflict areas and also allowed an opportunity for the policy to be "fine tuned" for the future.

The Student Attendance Policy is still in effect in all SAD #44 schools this year. The policy has been slightly revised in an attempt to fine tune procedures.

For your review and information, the revised SAD #44 Policy B, Article #21, Student Attendance Policy, is printed below. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any SAD #44 administrator.

Student Attendance Policy

The Board of Directors of SAD #44 requires regular attendance at all classes and charges the administrative staff of the district with enforcement of this regulation in accordance with state law (Chapter 211, Title 20A MRSA).

Attendance Rules

1. At the Middle School/High School level (Telstar), when a student has accumulated more than five (5) absences in a quarter course, more than ten (10) absences in the semester course, or more than twenty (20) absences in a year course, that student may not receive credit for the course.

At the elementary school level, when a student has accumulated more than twenty (20) absences in a school year, that student may not receive credit for that year.

2. Absences which include the right for make-up are:

- A. Personal illness.
- B. Professional appointments that cannot be made outside of the regular school day.
- C. Observance of recognized religious holidays when the observance is required during the school day.
- D. Emergency family situations.
- E. A personal or educational absence submitted in writing to the principal and for which approval has been granted in advance of the absence.

All absences will be applied toward the attendance policy.

3. If a student arrives late to school or leaves with an early dismissal, the absence may apply to the attendance requirements.

4. Students who are excused from class at attend school sponsored activities or are unable to attend school due to school district transportation problems, will not have the absence applied to the attendance policy.

5. When a student accumulates half the absences described in #1 above, the

Andover residents angered

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ficials and area residents, CMP is now recommending the actual 200 foot wide right of way needed for the transmission line," said Donald F. Kelly, CMP vice president for power supply.

Representatives from Charles T. Main, Inc., environmental and engineering consultants hired by CMP to assist in the licensing of the transmission line, and CMP have been gathering information since April of this year. The siting of this right-of-way is a direct result of the meetings and extensive environmental studies.

A preferred centerline has been identified from a proposed converter terminal site in the Bartlett Hill Road area of Jay, proceeding westerly through the towns of Jay, Canton, Dixfield, Mexico, Carthage, Roxbury, Andover, Andover North, Surplus, C. Surplus, Upton, Magalloway Plantation, Lincoln Plantation, Parkertown Township, and Lynchtown Township.

The remaining centerline identification through Farmachene Township and Bowmantown Township is continuing and is expected to be finalized to the extent possible by late 1987 or early 1988. The Maine-Canada border crossing is undergoing continuing review and will be established after the assessment of crossing alternatives has been completed by both CMP and Hydro Quebec. (The accompanying map shows the centerline as selected with a possible border crossing currently under review in Maine.)

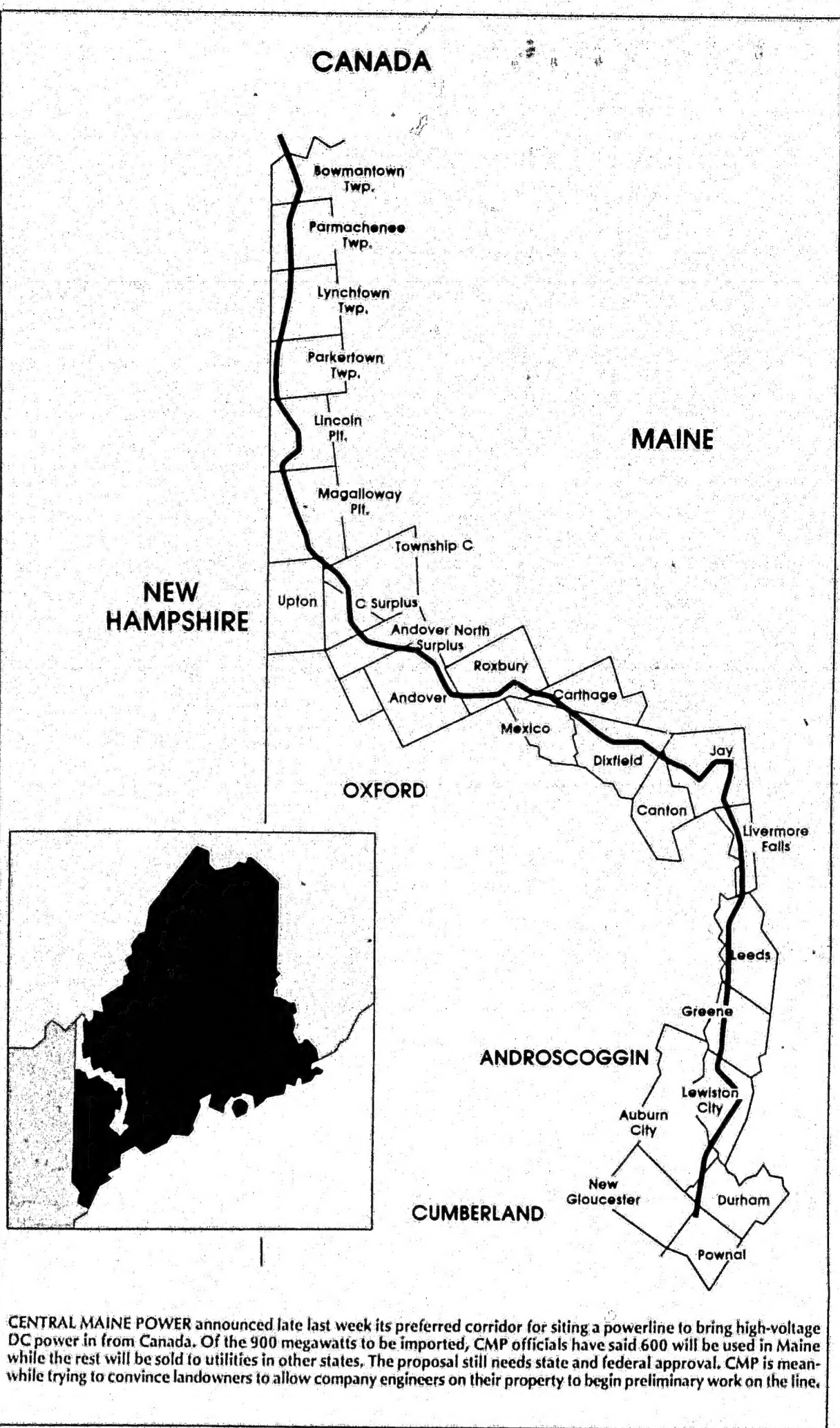
"CMP believes this proposal presents the best location for a transmission line based on environmental, recreational, visual, engineering and economic considerations," Mr. Kelly said. "To further confirm our belief, we are now asking landowners whose property may be crossed by the proposed power line for permission to enter their property and conduct the environmental studies necessary for the various licenses and permits required for the project."

"CMP appreciates their cooperation although approval by the landowners is voluntary," Mr. Kelly said. "CMP is not considering the purchase of land at this time; however, the company may be interested in doing so in the future."

Over the next two years, the Maine Legislature, the Maine Public Utilities Commission, Governor John McKernan and other state, federal and local planning and licensing bodies will review this proposal. "CMP will not proceed with this power purchase proposal from Hydro Quebec without these agencies' approvals," Mr. Kelly said.

parents will receive written notification and the principal or assistant principal may have a conference with the student. If a student accumulates three-quarters (3/4's) of the aforementioned absences, the parents and student may be requested to meet with the administration. If a student violates the attendance policy, the parents will be notified of any loss of credit.

Modification of a specific application of the above rules may be secured by instituting the appeals process existent in SAD #44.



CENTRAL MAINE POWER announced late last week its preferred corridor for siting a powerline to bring high-voltage DC power in from Canada. Of the 900 megawatts to be imported, CMP officials have said 600 will be used in Maine while the rest will be sold to utilities in other states. The proposal still needs state and federal approval. CMP is meanwhile trying to convince landowners to allow company engineers on their property to begin preliminary work on the line.

Prejudice is never easy unless it can pass itself off for reason. —Hazlitt

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Andover East

By MARJORIE JODREY

The Telstar varsity soccer team went down to defeat on Saturday by Lisbon. Their first defeat in five games, better luck next week.

Many from town were in Berlin and Gorham, N.H., on Sunday shopping. It was a great way to spend a rainy day.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Vannah have moved into Elderwood Manor this past week.

Mrs. Mary Jaros of Rumford visited her son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jaros, and family a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Thurston of Arundel were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Thurston and sons.

Mrs. Faye Milligan of Rumford called on her sister, Mrs. Mary Thurston, on Sunday.

Mrs. Roderick Sidelinger received word that her uncle, Henry Manger, of Albuquerque, N.M., died on Sept. 20. The Manger family were former Andover residents. He leaves his wife and children in New Mexico and several sisters and brothers in Maine also nieces and nephews.

The students at Andover Elementary School, grades K-6, will again be participating in a walk-a-thon to raise money for special events to benefit the school and community. Walk-a-thon sponsor sheets will be passed out on Oct. 7. The walk-a-thon will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 14, and money is to be collected and turned in by Oct. 19. Everyone is invited to the event. It was very successful last year.

The Andover Elementary School soccer team under the coaching of John Emery had its first game at Telstar Middle School on Sept. 23, and on Sept. 26 at the Andover Elementary School another game with Rumford, and on Sept. 29 another game at the school with Woodstock Elementary soccer team.

Because of sickness Rev. Marriotte Churchill's place at the First Congregational Church service on Sunday was taken by members of the congregation. "Call To Worship," by Kathy Williamson; "Draw Us In," by Pat Wyman; Invocation and Lord's Prayer by Dianne Cutting; Scripture reading by Pat Wyman; Responsive Reading by Bonnie Thibodeau; Children's sermon offering sentences by Sharon Hutchins; Message of Love by Nettie Fitzpatrick; Sharing Concerns by Beverly Swan; Prayer and Choral Amen by Ann Bishop; Solo, "I Believe" by Linda Dyer. Tuesday, Ladies Aid enjoyed their Harvest Vegetable Pot Luck luncheon.

Mrs. Stella Glover of Rumford took Mrs. Mary Thurston to Lewiston on Tuesday for a doctor's appointment.

The Ladies Aid of the First Congregational Church held their vegetable luncheon at Evelyn Bell's on Sept. 22. Each member prepared a different vegetable.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bell have moved into the former Morgan house on Maple Street.

Rev. Marriotte Churchill will enter Maine Medical Center on Oct. 3, for tests and x-rays. Best wishes and prayers go

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Talk/slide show Oct. 4 to feature Nicaragua

The Rev. Brendon Bass and Marguerite Graham will be presenting a public talk and slide show on Nicaragua to the Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) on Sunday, Oct. 4, at 4 p.m. Rev. Bass and Mrs. Graham travelled with Witness for Peace this summer and visited Nicaragua and Honduras. The talk will be given at the home of Will and Mary Taylor in Bethel and will be preceded by a Silent Meeting for Worship. The community is welcome to attend both the Meeting for Worship and the talk/slide show. This is an opportunity to hear about what is happening in Nicaragua, and also, for those interested, to attend a Quaker Meeting. Call Mary Taylor at 824-2069 for directions or with questions. Child care will be provided during the Meeting for Worship.

West Greenwood

By CAROLYN COLBY

On Tuesday, Bob and Mona Lowe were at the gift show at the Holiday Inn in Portland on a buying trip for the shop where Mona works.

Gen and Howard Gorham, Westbrook, visited Joe and Muriel Gilbert one day last week. The Gilberts were in Rumford, Friday.

Harry and Bernie Moore, Goshen, Conn., are visiting Marc, Leslie, Nathan and Jennie Moore for a few days.

Leah Deegan has been on vacation this week and has been visiting her sister, Marion Soule, in Palermo.

Earl and Carl Colby are planning to go to the truck pulls at Farmington fair tonight.

with her.

Stan Fox of Bethel called on his mother Mrs. Ann Fox one day this week.

Willard Colby would like to let everyone who sent cards or in any way made his stay at the hospital, that he appreciated their thoughtfulness. He will be entering St. Mary's Hospital again on Oct. 2, for surgery. Best wishes and prayers go with him.

Andover Elementary school lost the game they played on Wednesday afternoon against Telstar Middle School. It didn't dampen their spirits even though they lost.

Library News: They have received their traveling boxes of books from the Maine State Library this week. They will be using them as their own for three months. This fall selections are on Dinosaurs.

On Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 3:30 the Library summer reading group released Helium Balloons to celebrate the start of "Library Week."

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North Paris

By EVELINE B. VATCHER

We all enjoyed the rain on the weekend of Sept. 19-20. We could use a lot more before snow falls around us as so many wells are dry.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vatcher attended the Anderson reunion at Bearbrook State Park, Allentown, N.H., on Sept. 19. The rain held off until we were well on the way home. There wasn't any ball game this year as several players were unable to come.

The North Paris Community Club was presented a gift of a piece of land for a parking lot directly across from the hall. It was the land where Mrs. Wilma Pierce and her late husband, Floreston S. Pierce, lived for many years. It was presented by H. Warren Abbott and accepted by the Community Club president, Joseph Vatcher. It may be too late this fall to do any work as the bulldozer man has much work to complete before winter sets in. The members are very grateful to Warren for this gift and it will save parking on both sides of the street.

Joseph Kalinowski has returned to Big Rock Farm after a short visit in Portland, Conn.

The Community Hall roof on one side is being shingled by Joe Vatcher. He has a capable 16 year old boy to help carry the shingles up the ladder for one hour after the school bus comes. He is Mark Jerris who recently moved to the Trask Road from Massachusetts. He goes to Ledgewick Memorial Home at 4 p.m. where he works in the kitchen and helps wherever he can. He and his family live here in the country.

A mother bear and two cubs have been visiting the surrounding gardens at Joe Vatcher's. Mama pulled up asparagus plants and ate the roots and also ate potatoes and beets but didn't touch the toatoes.

The new house being built by Timmie Poland on the former Lillian Robbins' lot is going ahead very fast.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Brett have finally moved a trailer to their lot in Tuell Town. It has been eight months since their other trailer has burned.

Arnold Coffin is a surgical patient at Stephens Memorial Hospital and he also has pneumonia. He hopes to be home soon.

Callers at the Laurences have been: Richard Felt, Joe Vatcher, Robert Anderson Jr., Carroll Record, Joe Kalinowski, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reidy, Tyngsboro, Mass., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Spencer and family and at-

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5th grade at CPS to hold bottle drive

The 5th grade at Crescent Park School are going to have a bottle drive on Sunday, Oct. 11, to help raise funds for their social studies trip to Sturbridge, Mass., in April.

The bottle drive will be made at the Casco Bank parking lot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 11. Bottles may be dropped off there or arrangements made for pick-up by calling Anita Remington, 824-3369, or Jeannine Buck, 875-2713. Please call for pick-up service on or before Oct. 9. Many 5th grade students will be contacting friends, relatives, neighbors, etc., at houses prior to or on the day of the drive.

West Bethel

By HARRIETT STOWELL

Bruce Korhonen was lucky enough to capture a pure-bred Hereford calf in the "scramble" at Oxford County Fair last week. The calf is to be raised for auction next year at the fair.

Visitors at Maxine Lovejoy's last week were her cousin, Elizabeth Corbett, of South Paris, and Libbie Bane of Grover Hill Road.

Another day last week Maxine Lovejoy was in Bath with her sisters, Marjorie Fuller and Ardella Gallant of Mexico.

Cathryn Lovejoy and Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Cummings were in Portland last Tuesday for a doctor's appointment and had lunch with Helmi Lofreda and her mother.

INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT CLUB MEETING MONDAY, OCT. 5 AT SUNDAY RIVER SKIWAY

The first regular meeting of the Western Maine Industrial Management Club will be held at the Fall Line Restaurant at Sunday River Skiway in Newry on Monday, Oct. 5. The agenda is as follows: 5:30-6:30, social hour; 6:30-7:30, dinner; 7:30-8:30, program and meeting.

The guest speaker will be Frank Chiaravallotti from Central Maine Power Company, who will speak on the "Quebec Hydro Project."

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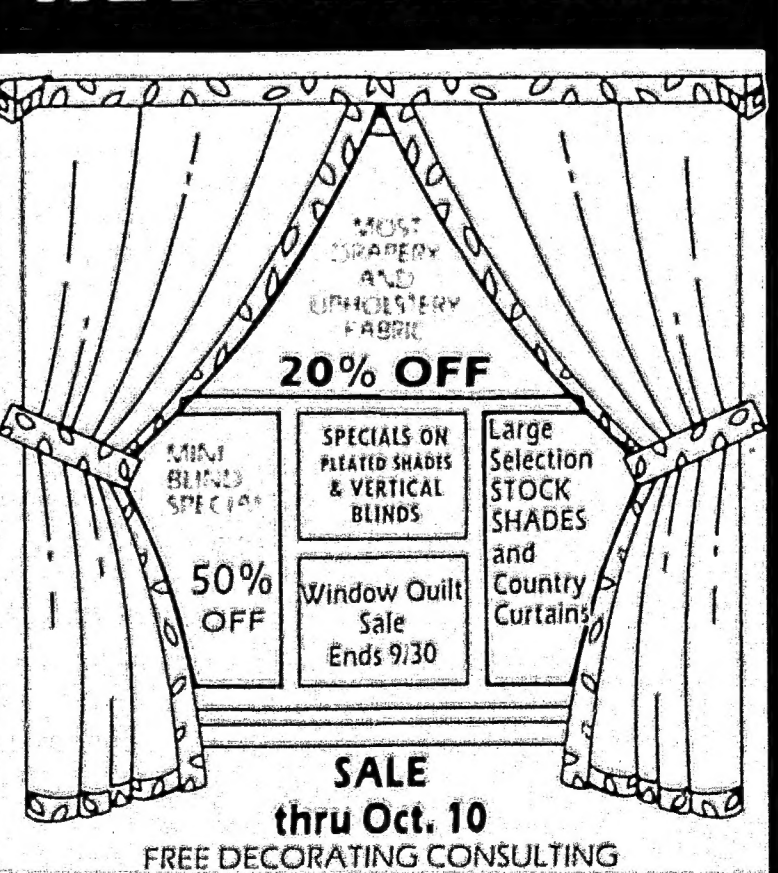
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Telstar 6, Lisbon 0 in field hockey action

Telstar "ruled the roost" last Friday with a 6-0 victorious count over Lisbon High School for their fifth win of the season. The Rebels only losses have come against Dirigo and Leavitt. Ellen Hastings began the scoring at four minutes into the game with an assist from Sheri Dooen. At the 20 minute mark Christine Hunt converted from Vanessa Cooper. The four minutes later Sheri Dooen added one unassisted to bring the score to 3-0 at halftime. In the second period, Hastings scored at three minutes unassisted and hunt with an assist from Shannan Tyler at the 10 minute mark to open the margin further in the second half. Hastings connected at 13 minutes for the final tally.

Telstar outshot rival Lisbon 18-7 and had a 17-7 advantage in the penalty corners. Mindy Robinson goalied the shut-out with seven saves.

Telstar defeats Rumford 2-1 in field hockey

Telstar Regional High School's varsity field hockey team defeated Rumford 2-1 on Monday. The game was scoreless until three minutes were left in the first period when Sheri Dooen pulled through with an assist from Vanessa Cooper. Then three minutes into the second period Rumford scored to tie the contest, but took the Rebels only five minutes to pull ahead with a score by Ellen Hastings from another assist by Cooper. The Rebels then played a tight defensive game to hold the win. Goalie Mindy Robinson had an excellent game with nine saves. Shots on goal were even, with 10 apiece.

Telstar's record now stands at 6-2. The Rebel squad entertains Livermore this Wednesday afternoon in a 3:30 encounter.

GOULD - SABINS ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Gould of Hunt's Corner, Albany, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Lynn, to Joseph Sabins III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sabins Jr. of Rhode Island. Miss Gould attended Telstar Regional High School and Mr. Sabins attended schools in North Kingstown, R.I. A February 1988 wedding is planned.

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Ellen Hastings, Telstar's leading scorer, was selected field hockey player of the week last week by the Portland Press Herald. Senior left winger on the Rebel team, Ellen earned the statewide honor by leading the team to three consecutive victories last week. In the three games, Ellen racked up six goals and one assist. The team's record went to 6-2 with another victory earlier this week. The Rebels lead the Mountain Valley Conference.

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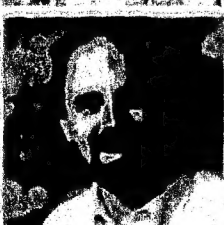
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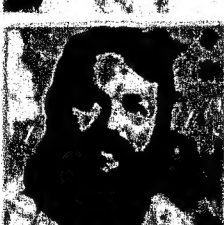
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MRS. WIGHT'S 3rd GRADE CLASS at CPS is hatching turtle eggs. Shown with turtles and eggs are, front: Tim Adams, Travis Loughton, Erica Carson; back: Jana Mason, Monica Rolfe. (Photo by Jeanne Boelsma)

East Bethel

By MYRA FOSTER

Mrs. Alice Dalrymple and granddaughter, Crystal, of Canton were recent visitors of Mrs. Lillian Bartlett. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Moore of South Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. Chester Harrington Wednesday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Coolidge, Mrs. Jackie Libby and Karen Hughes were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kimball.

Mrs. Velora Tuominen of Yarmouth was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kimball weekend before last.

There was a 400 pound bear shot in the cornfields on Sept. 23.

Alder River Grange held a special meeting on Sept. 18 with nine members present. Robert Hastings was present to receive a 65 year certificate and seal denoting that he had been a member of the grange for 65 years. He gave many recollections of the early days of his membership. The lecturers' program was centered around the constitution.

Mrs. Richard Stearns of Rumford Corner took me shopping Friday in Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Foster of Andover were luncheon guests on Sept. 19. Mrs. Clara Hamlin of South Waterford came later in the afternoon of that day and we met Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Westleigh and Eric in Rumford Corner, also Trafton (Skip) Westleigh of Denmark. Then we went to a camp on Aziscoos Lake where we

West Paris

By MIRIAM INMAN

Therese Braddick and Bob Banks of Elmherst, L.I., N.Y., spent the past weekend visiting with William and Sally Berry.

Mrs. Ivan Proctor and Ivan, Jr. were at their trailer in Stratton from Thursday through Sunday of last week.

Mrs. Helen Haavisto, Harrison, was the guest of Mrs. Mary Emery last week.

The West Paris Historical Society met at their new society hall last Monday for a potluck supper with 21 members present and a work party followed. Much cleaning, painting and papering was accomplished.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pugliese of West Bethel called on Vernon and Miriam Inman last Sunday.

The West Paris Fireman's Auxiliary will hold a meeting on Monday, Oct. 5, at the fire station.

A reminder that the pumpkin sale, food sale and flea market sponsored by the Universalist church will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10, beginning at 10 a.m. at Emery's parking lot at Trap Corner.

stayed for several days. Mrs. Hamlin and I returned Tuesday. Mrs. Hamlin got a nice trout Sunday. The water was very, very low this year. Although the weather wasn't that good the ones who came to fish enjoyed themselves. I didn't go fishing but all of us played cards in the evening.

East Stoneham

By GLADYS KILGORE

We all feel sad for our postmistress who lost her husband also for all the family. He was postmaster many years at North Waterford and helped some here.

Mr. and Mrs. Abdul Traish and their children of Massachusetts visited her parents, the Albert Nelsons, and attended the wedding and reception of her brother Albert Nelson Jr. and Carol Contello.

An addition is being built on the schoolhouse, as Mr. Vail the third, who owns it plans to have discount store there. One half of the schoolhouse is being used as a rent.

Brenda Files attended the wedding anniversary of Erlon and Nellie Haistal Monday evening. They have been married 32 years.

The trees are turning fast. My maples are getting a pretty red.

Mrs. Joan Grover has finished her work at Lovell. She worked through the summer months.

Mrs. Francis Grant took Mrs. Dot McKen to Norway Monday to get groceries. Over this way we don't have the bus to take us so we have to hire someone.

Hannah F. Richardson Tent #19 D. of U. V. met Sept. 23 at the K.P. Hall.

President Hildred Safford presided at the meeting at which two new members were received into membership. Doreen Shugars, granddaughter of Eloise Vail and Kathleen Hodgdon, daughter of Miriam Grover, and granddaughter of Helen Grover.

Three members of Elizabeth Crockett Blake Tent of Norway assisted with the ceremony: Shirley Thomas, Edith Pulkkinen and Lucy Brown. We appreciate their help.

Plans were announced for officers inspection. We will join Judith Grover Tent at Bryant Pond Oct. 26 for a 6 p.m. supper before the meeting. Guests will take a salad.

Refreshments were served after the meeting by the current committee. Eleanor Smith, Elise Vail, and Sarah Grover.

A donation was made to the Maine Lung Association and plans mentioned toward a collection of articles to be taken to Togus in the near future.

So. Woodstock

By OLIVE R. DAVIS

Esther Davis attend the annual School Reunion held at Canton Saturday from 10-4.

Lettie Brooks took Gladys Ellingwood and me to the Retired Teachers Meeting held at the Universalist Church at Norway, Saturday.

Kristine Mielon's barn sale was held over Saturday and Sunday this week.

Richard Felt, Lucille Robbins, Florence Gustafson, Lettie, and Carl Brooks and Olive Davis attended

Franklin Grange Gentleman's Night from this way Monday night.

Wednesday Lettie Brooks entertained the "tired" teachers at her farm on Curtis Hill. This is an early Christmas party before some of them head for the south for the winter.

Richard Felt and crew played for a benefit dance at the West Paris Grange Hall Saturday night. It was for Bertha Benoit who is trying to get her home ready for winter. She is trying to come back from a stroke, which has been hard. She is putting her best foot forward and doing well.

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AT THE ETHEL BISBEE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE last week, 1st-graders Chris Brooks and Travis Loughton demonstrate the computer to Chris' mom, Barbara Brooks. (Photo by Jeanne Boelsma)

PARENTING EDUCATION SERIES AT STEPHENS MEMORIAL

The Health Education Department of Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, is pleased to offer an all new Parenting Education Series presented by Pat Miller, Hostess of the "Parenting with Pat" television show in Augusta. Ms. Miller is a mother, a Registered Occupational Therapist, and a Parent Educator and Consultant for 13 years in Maine and New England.

A free introductory evening will be offered on Wednesday, Oct. 7, from 7-9 p.m. in the SMH Board Room. The subject for that evening will be Predictable Behavior Patterns of Children from Birth to Age 5. Anyone interested in signing up for the 5-week program will have the opportunity to do so after that evening's session. The cost will be \$40 per couple, or single parent, and will run from Oct. 14 to Nov. 11. Financial assistance is available for those who qualify.

Please feel free to call the Health Education Office at 743-5933 Ext. 471 for more information.

Songo Pond

By ALICE KIMBALL

Mr. and Mrs. John Kallis have returned from a foliage tour through several states. On their trip they also visited a grandson in Ithaca, N.Y., and their daughter in West Redding, Conn., and some of Jolene's family in New York City area.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kallis of Hingham, Mass., are visiting his parents this weekend.

The first heavy white frost hit here Saturday morning.

I returned home Wednesday night after spending several days over the weekend with my daughter and family in Otisfield. Over the weekend we all visited relatives in Mars Hill and Houlton. On Tuesday Ethel drove me to Portland for my medical appointment.

Mrs. Jocelyn Heath and family spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kimball. Friday afternoon visitors there were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Wilberg of Canton, Mass.

Jimmy and Christine, and Carleton and Pam Rugg were in Gorham N.H. Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cole are at their cottage here this weekend.

Marsters (Bob) York of Williamstown, Vt., was an overnight guest Friday of his sister-in-law Mrs. Elmira Doyer.

Mrs. Connie Hindman was in Portland Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Saunders have returned to their home in town.

The world is a grindstone, life is your nose — Fred Allen.

GROVER-ROLFE FAMILY REUNION HELD AUG. 16

The Grover-Rolfe family reunion was held Sunday, Aug. 16, 1987, at the home of Earl and Betsy (Rolfe) Grover in Bolster's Mills. There were 85 people attending.

Earl and Betsy Grover's family was well represented. Richard and Donna (Grover) Bean Sr., Lisa Bean and Keny Thurston, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bean Jr., Molly and Anna, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bean, Heather and Meagan; Paul and Tina (Grover) Parent, Pauline and Jeff Parent, Reggie and Betty Leveque, Paul, John and Reggie Jr., Adam, Brenda and Joshua Wilderson, John Parent; Lloyd and Allana Grover; Bill and Sylvie (Grover) Andrews and Anna Record; Kerry and Sidney Grover.

Herbert and Ruth (Rolfe) Kittredge, Blair and Pat Brown, Kevin, Kurt, and Kris Dunn; Kim Kittredge; Harlan and Kathy Bean, Kristen and Karole Ann Bean, Charles and Arlene (Rolfe) Merrill; Lucetia Rand; Ricky and Eric Rand; Mrs. Tom Rand.

Winfield and Ella Rolfe; Harold Rolfe and Mary Jones; Danny Rolfe and Laurie Lewis; Donald and Sheila Blanchette; Margaret Pike.

Norma Jodrey and Alva Java.

Herman and Thelma (Rolfe) Card; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Morse; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sessions and Danielle Wadsworth.

Clifford and Susie Chapman; Linwood and Doris Grover; Leslie Grover.

Last year the Grover-Rolfe family donated \$87 to the Bolster's Mill Dam Project and this year it was voted to donate \$50 to Kristen Bean, who has the opportunity to go, with her French class, to Europe in the spring.

Next year's reunion is the third Sunday in August. Hope to see all Grover-Rolfe family members.

COHEN'S REPRESENTATIVE IN BETHEL, FRYEBURG

TUESDAY, OCT. 13

Eric Howes from Senator Bill Cohen's Lewiston office will be holding Citizens' Hours in Bethel and Fryeburg on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

Mr. Howes will be at the Bethel town office from 10 a.m. to noon, and at the municipal building in Fryeburg from 2 to 3 p.m.

He will be available to help with problems involving the federal government and to solicit opinions on issues. Constituents of the senator are asked to stop by.

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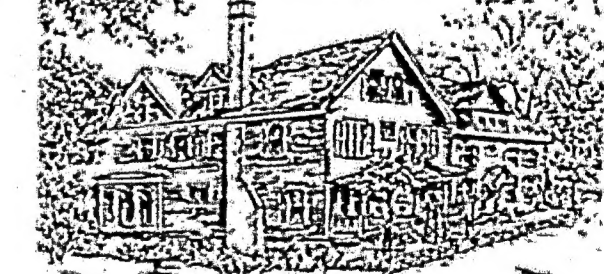
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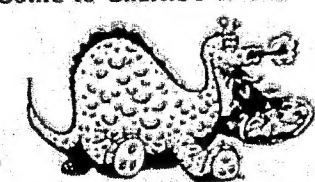
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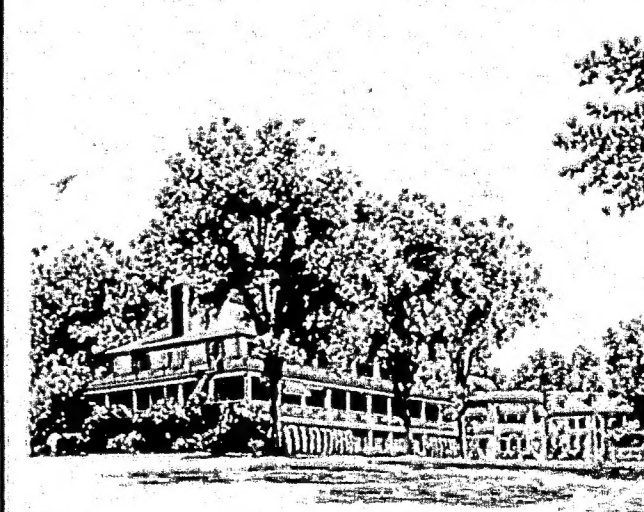
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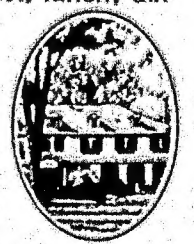
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Literacy Awareness Month observed

The month of October has been declared Literacy Awareness Month for SAD #44 by the local Literacy Task Force, which will sponsor a number of special events and activities throughout the month.

The Literacy Task Force is a subcommittee of the SAD #44 Adult and Community Education Advisory Council and has been meeting regularly since early summer. Members of the Task Force are Mary Isham, Don Sandstrom, Sylvia Wight, Nan Timberlake, Bob Anderson, Merrill Bittner, Cathy Newell, and Shirley Hodson.

In conjunction with Literacy Awareness Month, local libraries in Bethel and Andover have joined together to promote reading and library use. Task Force member Shirley Hodson, Betsy Raymond, of the Bethel Library, and Carol Littlehale, of the Andover Library, have an exciting month of events planned, including a recognition ceremony, complete with helium balloons, for school children who completed the summer reading programs at the libraries.

On Oct. 2, a bookmark contest will be announced for students in all grades, and elementary school classes will schedule visits to the libraries. Special displays featuring children's books will be planned and contest winners will be announced.

The Bethel Library has secured a special loan collection of books for young teens, an age group where use of the library has traditionally tapered off.

A Literacy in the Workplace Business Breakfast is in the planning stages to be held late in October, in coordination with the national Project Literacy US effort. SAD #44 will receive a special videotaped excerpt from a documentary on workplace literacy to use at the breakfast.

Don Sandstrom has designed placemats and posters for literacy awareness and adult student recruitment. They are being printed by Telstar Graphic Arts, and will be distributed to local restaurants and to school students at hot lunch later in the month. The design uses a rebus puzzle, under the slogan "Reading: As Basic as Bread and Butter", and is targeted both at the potential reading student, who will receive the message regarding literacy services through the picture-writing, and at the reading public, who may find that the challenge of figuring out the message is similar to the daily problems encountered by the illiterate adult.

Several members of the Literacy Task Force will be taking the Tutor Training class in West Paris during October and will be available at the end of the month to assist individual adult students, or to work in the Adult Learning Centers, or at Telstar Middle and High School as tutors. Nan Timberlake of the Task Force is working on the use of tutors in

Flu clinic reminder

The staff at the Bethel Area Health Center would like to remind members of the community that flu clinics will be held five different times this year.

- The schedule is as follows:
- Friday, Oct. 2, 1-3:00 p.m. at the Old School Annex, Bryant Pond.
- Saturday Oct. 3, 9-11:00 a.m. at the Bethel Area Health Center.
- Monday, Oct. 5, 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Bethel Area Health Center.
- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 12-2:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Meal Site, Methodist Church, Bethel.
- Thursday, Oct. 8, 1-3:00 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, Andover.

HEALTH EDUCATION DEPT. AT STEPHENS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL CHANGES LOCATION

The Health Education Department of Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, has moved. It will now be found in the Medical Arts Building (lower level) at 17 Winter Street, Norway.

All health education programs are now being held at the new location, with the exception of the monthly Alzheimer's Support Group, which will continue to meet in the SMH library.

Health education is growing fast and SMH offers a variety of programs for hospital, businesses and the community. Watch for upcoming programs.

Please feel free to call SMH from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 743-5933 Ext. 471.

the schools.

Task Force members Cathy Newell, Merrill Bittner, Mary Isham, Shirley Hodson, and Don Sandstrom, plus Mary Andrews of North Waterford and Larinda Meade of the Department of Educational and Cultural Services participated in Improvisational Theater Training under the direction of Marli Stevens of the Somerset County Basic Skills Program on Saturday, Sept. 19, at Telstar.

Following additional training, and much practice, the Bread and Butter Team will be available to present short skits regarding literacy to school and community groups. They are seeking additional members for the Improvisational Theater team. This effort is based on the highly successful Tri-State team which promotes awareness of literacy through improvisational theater. Training for local teams is funded by a Gannett Foundation grant awarded to the Department of Educational and Cultural Services.

The next meeting of the Literacy Task Force will be in late October, following the completion of the tutor training. Anyone interested in participating in any activities of group may contact the Adult and Community Education office, 824-2780.

GEDs gain in popularity

The American Council on Education recently released information on the number of people taking the GED tests during 1986. According to Douglas R. Whitney, director of the Council's GED Testing Service, "The GED Testing program continues to offer a substantial number of people the opportunity to qualify for a high school equivalency credential."

During 1986, 739,683 people—slightly up from 1985— took the GED tests in the U.S. and Canada. As a result of testing conducted at over 3,200 testing locations, 489,629 examinees earned scores that qualified them for an equivalency credential.

Approximately 73 percent of the examinees who completed the test battery in 1986 scored well enough to pass the GED.

According to Cathy Newell, Director of Adult and Community Education in SAD #44, 11 people took the GED tests in SAD #44 during 1986. All 11 passed the test. Mrs. Newell attributes the high rate of passing to the extensive use of the Practice Tests in the local program, and the opportunities for people intending to take the GED to participate in preparation programs.

During 1986, 705,918 people, including 11,610 active duty military personnel, took the English edition of the GED battery; 31,195 took the Spanish edition; and 1,910 took the tests in French. Approximately 600 people used a special edition of the tests, either audiocassette, braille, or large print. The average age of the examinees was 26.5 years, and more than half indicated that they were planning to continue their education or training beyond high school.

Since 1971, the GED testing program has enabled more than six million adults to obtain a high school credential. These credentials continue to be accepted by more than 90 percent of the colleges and universities, and by most employers to satisfy requirements for a secondary education credential. Annual ly, one in every seven high school diplomas in the United States issued based on results from the GED tests.

The GED tests have been revised, and Maine will begin using the new tests in January. The new tests will have a greater emphasis on writing and critical thinking skills, and SAD #44, as well as many local adult education programs have been revising their preparation process to reflect the new requirements. Pat Morey and Merrill Bittner have attended special training relating to the new writing skills requirements, and Morey will conduct a Writing Clinic as part of the Adult Learning Center at Telstar.

Anyone interested in information about the GED testing process should contact Cathy Newell or Merrill Bittner at SAD #44 Adult and Community Education, 824-2780. GED Practice testing and preparation is available during the day, on Tuesday mornings at the Bethel



CPS STUDENTS WHO ARE ENTHUSIASTICALLY INVOLVED in the local literacy campaign are, front row, Leah Bonema, Jodi Barnes, Gabriel Perkins, Jason Fraser, Clinton Wakefield; back row, Annaliese Bass, Jessie Wight, Kelly Paradis, Cindy Wheeler, Amanda Sysko, Brooke Cramton, Amy Hale, Karen Wheeler, Darrah Howard. Last week they released a flock of balloons in front of the Bethel Library to kick off the campaign.

(Photo by Jeanne Boelsma)

Library from 9 to 12, and in the evening on Mondays from 6:30 to 9:30 at Telstar and on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 at the Woodstock School.

Staff for the Adult Learning Centers includes Fidelis Taylor, Andrea Hoyt, Merrill Bittner, and Pat Morey, plus Literacy Volunteers Martha Martin and Connie Vautour.

Bethel

Mt. Abram Lodge will have a harvest supper at the lodge home Saturday, Oct. 10, 5-6:30 p.m.

Muriel Faudi and Stephanie Emens, Courtney and Whitney Emens, attended the homecoming celebration at Clark Memorial Methodist Church, Portland, on Sept. 27. An old fashioned church service was followed by an organ concert.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Arthur (Sonny) Ring wish to thank family and friends for cards, flowers, and many acts of kindness during our recent bereavement. It was much appreciated.

Jane Ring
Donna Reed
Alan Ring
Helen Ring
Kaye R. Glines
and Families

Still some openings in SAD #44 Adult Ed

Openings remain in several SAD #44 Adult and Community Education classes which are set to begin in early October.

Paul Beaton's Blacksmithing class, taught at his shop in Bryant Pond, will begin on Monday, Oct. 5, and has one available slot. The Orienteering class, taught by Buzz Gamble of the Maine Conservation School in Bryant Pond, will begin on Oct. 1 at Telstar. Students in this three-session class will learn techniques for finding one's way in the woods.

Personal Financial Planning will begin on Tuesday, Oct. 6, with Sara Jane Elliott as the instructor. The four-session class will have individual sessions on budgeting, investments, tax law changes, and retirement planning.

Color Slide Photography, with Tim Mills, will begin Oct. 7 at Telstar and will emphasize the taking of good pictures using 35mm cameras.

You and Your Child, a parenting skills course, will begin Oct. 6 at the West Bethel Children's Center. A morning Drawing class with Sue Wight will begin Oct. 6 at the Bethel House, for both beginning and experienced students. Basic Calligraphy will begin Oct. 6 in Andover with Sharon Hutchins.

For information, or to enroll, call SAD #44 Adult and Community Education, at 824-2780.

Students celebrate completion of summer reading program

Twenty-six students from Ethel Bisbee and Crescent Park Schools recently had a celebration at the Bethel Library to mark their completion of the Summer Reading Program. The students all read 10 books, two each from the following categories: Historical Fiction, Biography, Reading Rainbow Books, Nature Stories, and Fantasy/Fairy Tales. Helium balloons were let off, with names and addresses attached. It is hoped that many students will receive letters from the people who find their balloons.

The following is a list of the students who completed the reading program: Annaliese Bass, Gabriel Perkins, Jason Fraser, Amy Hale, Leah Bonema, Alex Gillies, Darrah Howard, Matthew Lewis, Karen Wheeler, Becca Fraser, Kellie Paradis, Kate Nickerson, Katie Chapman, Hana Seames, Melinda Hale, Bret Harvey, Julie Ludlam, Brooke Cramton, Grayson Wakefield, Marcy LaVallee, Amanda Sysko, Jodi Barnes, Jessie Wight, Teri Chadbourne, Clinton Wakefield, Cindy Wheeler.

The Summer Reading Party marked the beginning of the Bethel Library's recognition of Literacy Awareness Month. A bookmark contest will soon be underway—details will be provided at area schools, at the library and in next's weeks Citizen.

SUNDAY
October 4
9:00 am Sunday Horse Show-Infield
Firemen's Muster-New Grandstand
Sheepdog Trials-Race Track
9:30 am Shuffleboard, Turkey Shoot
(18 yrs and older, cash prizes)
10:00 am Poultry Judging
11:30 am Society Pig Scramble—
Pulling Pavilion
12:30 pm Pony Pull
1:00 pm Children's Pet Rabbit Show
(12 & under-Woodward Pavilion)
4:00 pm Tractor Pull—after Horse Show
(Race Track)
6:00 pm Horse Pulling-2800 Class

MONDAY
October 5
9:00 am Ox pulling-Powder Pull—
over 2800 pounds
10:00 am Woodsmen's Field Day-Grandstand
1:00 pm Wreath Makers round-up
demonstration
Ox pulling-6 ft. elimination-3200
& under-Woodward Pavilion
Mixing goat show-New Grandstand
7:00 pm Horse pulling-12 ft. elimination-
3200 & under
8:00 pm Night Show-Jim & Jesse and
The Virginia Boys
(Blue Grass at its best)

TUESDAY
October 6
Senior Citizens Day
9:00 am Sheep Judging-Turrell Pavilion -
Open Show all day
Judging: Angewid, Holsteins,
Brown Swines
Ox Pulling-4 Ox Hitch-Pulling Ring
Ox Pulling-2000 lbs & under-
New Grandstand
10:00 am Society Shuffleboard Tournament
Tractor Pull-New Grandstand
1:00 pm Judging-Deer, Chamois &
Summit
2:00 pm Horse Pulling-2900 lbs & under
3:30 pm Horse Pulling-3300 lbs & under
7:00 pm Horse Pulling -6 ft. elimination
3000 & under
8:00 pm Night Show-Fiddlers Contest

WEDNESDAY
October 7
9:00 am Judging Draft Horses, Ponies,
Cart/Unicom-Race Track
Ox Pulling-2100 & 2800 lbs
Judging: Guernseys, Jerseys, Milk-
ing Shorthorns
Sheep Judging-Turrell Pavilion-
(all day)
1:00 pm Judging-Beef Shorthorns, Aber-
deen Angus
1:30 pm Judging-working oxen, beef cattle,
show oxen & steers-
New Grandstand
Open Pig Scramble following Ox
Pulling
2:00 pm Horse Pulling-3000 lbs & under
3:30 pm Horse Pulling-3400 lbs & under
7:00 pm Horse Pulling-3 Horse Hitch-4800
lbs. & under-20 ft. elimination
8:00 pm Night Show-Tammy Wynette
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Pig Scramble-Students of SAD
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11:00 am 4-H Baby Beef Auction-Pulling
Ring, 50th Anniversary Sale
1:00 pm Judging-Pony-Halter classes-
Exercise Ring
Swine Judging-New Grandstand
1:30 pm Maine Herefords Assoc. Sale-
Woodward Pavilion
Horse Pulling-Grand Sweepstakes
Distance
4:00 pm Ox Pulling-6 ft. elimination 2800
lbs. & under-trophy
7:00 pm 4-H Dairy Clipping Contest-
Woodward Pavilion
7:30 pm Horse pulling 12 ft. elimination
3600 lbs. & under
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SATURDAY
October 10
Farm Bureau Day
Speaker-American Farm Bureau
Grandstand
10:00 am Grand Parade-trophy presentations
11:00 am 4-H Sheep-Fit & Show-Turrell
Pavilion
1:00 pm Horse Pulling Grand
Sweepstakes-15 ft. Draw
4-H Sheep Breed Classes-Turrell
Pavilion
4-H Dairy Show-Woodward Pavilion
4-H Pet Show-Woodward Pavilion
3:00 pm Ox Pulling-3200 lbs. & under
Trophy
6:30 pm Horse Pulling-6 ft. elimination
3400 lbs. & under
7:00 pm 4-H Sheep Lead Line-Woodward
Pavilion
8:00 pm Night Show-Sunshine Express-
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SUNDAY
October 11
8:00 am 4-H Sheep-Fit & Show-Turrell
Pavilion
Judging 4-H Steers
9:00 am Rabbit Judging-Woodward Pavilion
11:00 am Pig Scramble-Pulling Ring
11:30 am Pulling 4-H Steers-Ox Show Ring
12:30 pm Ox Pulling-Grand Sweepstakes
6 ft. elimination
1:00 pm Judging-4-H Beef Heifers-
Woodward Pavilion
3:30 pm Horse Pulling-Grand Sweepstakes
6 ft. elimination
5:00 pm Following Races is 4WD Pull-
Race Track
Grandstand seats reserved until
racing ends

THIS WEEK AT THE
Moses Mason House

All members and friends of the Bethel Historical Society are reminded that the monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct. 1, in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House beginning at 7:30 p.m. The program will feature the annual "What's It?" and a presentation by local historian Stuart F. Martin, who will speak on the topic "Oxford County's Vanishing Towns and Villages." Anyone interested in attending is cordially invited to do so.

Two more books are now being offered for sale in the gift shop. They are Frederick W. Kilbourne's *Chronicles of the White Mountains*, considered to be the best one volume of the area available and Benjamin G. Willey's *Incidents in White Mountain History*, reprint of the 1856 classic. Anyone wishing to acquire these books should stop by the Dr. Moses Mason House, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Space for the bus tour to York sponsored by SAD #44 Adult and Community Education and the Bethel Historical Society is filling up. Anyone wishing to go should call the Adult Education office at 824-2780 or the Society office at 824-2908.

Latest contributors to the 1987 Endowment Campaign of the Bethel Historical Society include: Frank and Jane Vogt of Bethel, Stephen Seames of Portland, Donald and Arlene Brown of Bethel, in memory of Edward H. (Ned) Hastings; Harry and Eleanor Parsons, Bethel; Dorothea P. Nielsen, Manchester, Conn., in honor of Charles and Carol Nielsen and family of Bethel; Marian K. Rich, Bethel; Ernest and Alberta Angewine, Bethel; Alice Mandt, Worcester, Mass. Much appreciation is expressed to these donors who have brought the total number of contributors this year to 274.

Among the newest members of the Society are Douglas and Claire Lary of Willimantic, Conn.; Burton Emerson of Falls Church, Va.; R.A. Leavitt, Gorham, N.H.; Mrs. Daphne A. Chapman, Peabody, Mass., is a new life member. Homecoming Weekend will be observed at the Dr. Moses Mason House on Saturday, Oct. 3, from 1 to 3 p.m., and on Sunday, Oct. 4, from 1 to 3 p.m. The museum will be decorated with the traditional harvest items and Society Director Stanley R. Howe will present a slide lecture "Education in Bethel, 1797-1987" at 1 p.m. on Sunday in the meeting room. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend.

The Society has received several books that may be of interest to those interested in local history and genealogy. An anonymous donor has presented the Society with Nahan Mitchell's *History of the Early Settlement of Bridgewater, Massachusetts*, reprint of the 1840 edi-



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tion). William T. Davis's *Genealogical Register of Plymouth Families*, Emily S. Wilson's *Inhabitants of New Hampshire 1776 and Francis W. Plummer, Sr.'s* *Lisbon: The History of a Small Maine Town*. Ben B. Conant of South Paris has donated a copy of *Maine Scenic Gems 1898*. Much appreciation is expressed for these fine additions to the Society's ever-growing collection. Also received this week is a copy of *Agreeable Situations, Society, Commerce, and Art in Southern Maine 1780-1830* as well as John S. Hammond's *It's From Sea to Sea in 1933 in a Curved Dash Oldsmobile: The Authentic Story of the Whitman-Hammond Horseless-Carriage Expedition from San Francisco to New York*. Books are now available to researchers in the Society's Eva Bean Research Room, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Notes from the
Woodstock Historical Society

Here is an interesting passage by an 19th century author—

"The beauty of the scene cannot be conveyed in words. The one side of the valley was blue with evergreen shadow, through which loomed forest and precipice. The other side was a more delightful and exhilarating contrast."

Samuel Butler. Officers filled so far by the Society are: President, Robert Billings; Vice-President, Karen Paul; Secretary, Louisa Noves; and Treasurer, Anne Crockett. Ray Burnham is the new Trustee.

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By ALICE HOYT

The Woodstock Senior Citizens will meet at the town hall at 10:30 on Thursday, Oct. 1, to go to the Northland Restaurant in Berlin, N.H., for dinner. Elizabeth and Steve Hoover left Sunday for Acra, N.Y. where they will be living.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hoyt were: Beatrice Farnum, Mr. and Mrs. John Chase and Crystal, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevens, Keith, Jenny and Danny, Mr. and Mrs. David Crockett, Ray and Sharon, James Hoyt, Wendy Nelson, Jenny and Kelly.

Franklin Grange met on Monday, Sept. 21, for gentlemen's night with 26 present. Officers were as follows: Master, Harris Hathaway; Overseer, Johnny Howe; Lecturer, Carl Brooks; Chaplain, Paul Billings; Steward, Edwin Howe; Asst. Steward, Russell Yates; L.A.S., Peggy Blake; Gatekeeper, Harold Canwell; Ceres, Lucy Robbins; Pomona, Florence Gustafson; Flora, Viva Whitman; Secretary, Richard Felt; Treasurer, Ralph Hoyt; C.W.A., Verna Swan and Alice Hoyt; Pianist, Dot Canwell. Bob Billings has been in the hospital. The Oct. 5 meeting will be chaplain's night. Resolutions of respect were read for Ethel McKenzie by Charlotte Cole. Joyce and Ralph Hoyt were installed. Harris Hathaway thanked the ones filling the chairs.

Program was as follows: Opening Song by all; Poem by H.C. Bacon written in 1874 about an Old School in Woodstock read by Harris Hathaway; Skit about growing vegetables by Edwin Howe and Harold Canwell; Reading by Richard Felt, about a three-point meeting held in 1975 at Round Mountain Grange; Song by all; Skit; the Country Store by Paul Billings and Russell Yates; Closing song by all; Closing thought, Carl Brooks. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

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We extend our thanks and appreciation to relatives and friends for the kindness and sympathy shown us during our bereavement. A special thank you to Hope Tibbets, who so lovingly cared for Selma.

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by Florence Hall

Callers at Florence Hall's over the weekend were: Alfred Marston, Portland; Edward and Paula Hall and son Dana, Rumford; Joy Hall, Ashburnham, Mass.; and Mary Jaros, Rumford. Joy Hall, attended church with aunt

Florence Hall on Sept. 20. Louise Powell, Hale, visited her mother, Alma Hewey.

Anne Fox and Florence Hall attended Ladies Aid meeting at Evelyn Bell's on Wednesday.

Olive Whitten, Gertrude Hutchins, Flora Whitten and Wanda Coolidge were shopping in New Hampshire on Wednesday.

The tenants at the Manor are happy to have Mr. and Mrs. Guy Vannah back in apartment one.

Hope it's a good sign of a mild winter. *Thought of the Day*

We waste too much time criticizing the faults of those whose strong points we could be praising. —The Country Parson.

Calvary Congregational Church
Meditation: Ephesians 6:6—"Doing the will of God from the heart."

Last Sunday our guest preacher was Rev. Harry Strout. They are home on furlough from New Zealand, residing at Bradford, Maine, at present.

The choir sang, "All I Have Belongs to Jesus." Responsive reading, Exodus 8:16-19. Rev. Strout's message, "What Must I Do to be Saved?" Acts 16:30. Closing hymn, "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Our theme Gold Rush Sunday with special activities for the day starting with Sunday School, dinner at noon with beans, hot dogs, salads, and desserts, to go along with our theme. After dinner games were enjoyed by all ages. Many prizes were given.

Friday night's Bible Study at 7 p.m. Bowling Friday night, 7 p.m.

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My eyesight's far too keen.
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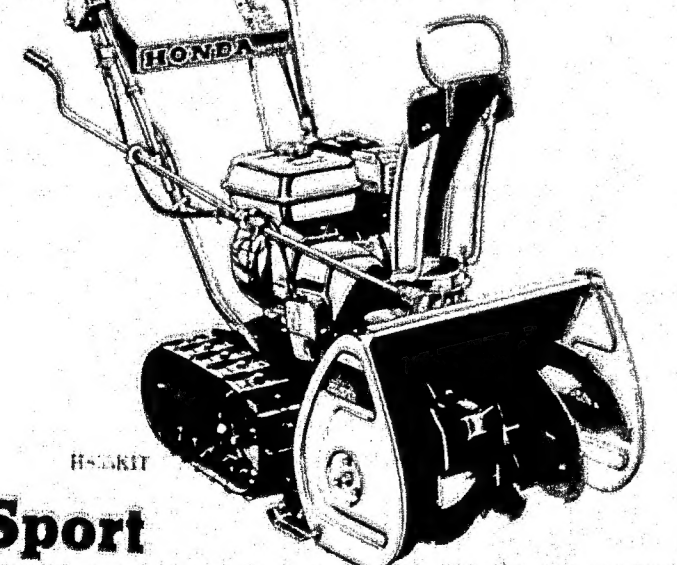


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RANDALL P. WILSON

Randall P. Wilson of Epsom, N.H., formerly of Bethel, died early Monday morning, Sept. 28, 1987, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Sandwich, N.H.

He was born at Norway, July 31, 1908, the son of Stanley and Barbara Martin Wilson. He received his education at the Locke Mills elementary school and Telstar Regional High School. At the time of his death he was employed as a landscaper for Hodges Construction Co. of Concord, N.H.

He is survived by a son, Travis Richard Wilson; his father, Stanley Wilson of Bethel; his mother, Barbara Wilson of Portland; two sisters, Laurie of Bethel, and Vicki of Portland; a brother, Alan of Bethel; his maternal grandfather, Leroy Martin Jr. of Bryant Pond; his paternal grandmother, Irene Wilson of Bethel; and his maternal great-grandmothers, George Mason of West Paris and Eleanor Towle of Auburn.

Funeral services are being held at 3 o'clock this Wednesday afternoon at the Locke Mills Union Church. Interment will be at the Wayside Cemetery, West Paris.

ANNIE H. ROSENBERG

Mrs. Annie H. Rosenberg of Bryant Pond died unexpectedly Friday evening, Sept. 28, 1987, at Encl, N.H.

She was born at Upton, May 22, 1927, the daughter of William D. and Eleanor McLeod Barnett. She attended Upton schools and was a 1946 graduate of Stephens High School in Rumford and a graduate of the Lawrence Business Academy in Haverhill, Mass. She married Peter J. Rosenberg, Feb. 4, 1950. Mrs. Rosenberg was active in community affairs, serving on the SAD #44 Board of Directors. She was a past president of the Woodstock Parent Teachers Association and had been a leader of the Woodstock 4-H Club. She was a member of the Greenstock Snowmobile Club.

Mrs. Rosenberg is survived by her husband, Peter, of Bryant Pond; four sons, Edward of Yorktown, Va., Peter Jr. of Dedham, Timothy of Bryant Pond, and Michael of East Sumner; one daughter, Mrs. Donna Trundy of Rumford; a brother, Lewis Barnett of Rumford; one sister, Mrs. Viola Johnson of Mercer; two foster sisters, Mrs. Essie Holman of Farmington, and Mrs. Isabelle Hodgkins of Wilton; and 14 grandchildren. She was predeceased by a brother, Clayton Barnett, and a sister, Elta Purple.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Andrews Funeral Home, South Woodstock with Rev. Linwood Hanson officiating. Interment was at Lakeside Cemetery, Bryant Pond.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, visits, and thoughtful help, while Don was at Stephens Memorial Hospital. We especially thank those who prayed so faithfully for both of us. God Bless each and everyone. Much love,

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SELMA L. CHAPMAN

Mrs. Selma L. Chapman died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1987, at the residence of Hope Tibbetts on Park Street in Bethel where she had made her home for the last six years.

She was born in Newry, Feb. 26, 1900, the daughter of Don C. and Edna Bailey Smith. She received her education in the Newry schools. She married Chester Chapman on Jan. 1, 1939. Mr. Chapman died June 21, 1968. Mrs. Chapman was a homemaker and had worked as a bookkeeper for Charles Bartlett in Hanover for several years. She was the oldest charter member of the Bear River Grange. She was a member of the World War I Auxiliary of Bethel, Mundell-Allen Unit, American Legion Auxiliary, of Bethel, and the Pythian Sisters of Hanover.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Alice Hamilton of Largo, Fla., and Mrs. Hazel Cary of Bryant Pond; a brother, Carlos Smith of Wyckoff, N.J., an aunt, Mabel Wentworth of Kennebecport; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a sister, Josephine Tripp, who died March 13, 1987. Graveside services were held Friday morning at the Powers Cemetery in Newry with Rev. Roland Lord officiating.

GWENDOLYN M. LITTLEHALE
Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Littlehale of Route 16, Wilson's Mills (Lincoln Plantation), died Thursday, Sept. 24, 1987, at the Androscoggin Valley Hospital, Berlin, N.H.

She was born at Livermore Falls, Dec. 1, 1912, the daughter of James W. and Bertha Shore Mann. She had lived at Wilson's Mills most of her adult life. Mrs. Littlehale graduated from the Lincoln Plantation school board. Her husband, Lester Littlehale, died in 1956. Survivors include one son, Norman Littlehale, of Wilson's Mills; one brother, Kenneth Mann, of Livermore Falls; two granddaughters and one great-grandson. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Spaulding Memorial Chapel, Wilson's Mills. Interment was at the Wilson's Mills Cemetery.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Andrews Funeral Home, South Woodstock with Rev. Linwood Hanson officiating. Interment was at Lakeside Cemetery, Bryant Pond.

Gould women's soccer

Last Saturday, Gould Academy's women's JV soccer squad defeated Hyde School JV's 2-0. Gould had two goals by Liz Morris and one by Joann Donaldson. Monika Burk played goal and registered four saves as the defense prevented much of any penetration by Hyde.

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Fryeburg Fair opens for 137th season Sunday, Oct. 4

When Fryeburg Fair opens its gates for the 137th time on Oct. 4, visitors to the Blue Ribbon Classic will find a number of improvements and enhancements on the 176-acre grounds.

Nearly \$250,000 has been spent over the summer preparing for the fall foliage spectacular that last year drew more than a quarter of a million people. This year's top project was the construction of a new 500-foot-long grandstand to house all of the fair's open in one location for easier public viewing and eliminates the practice of tying animals to truck bumpers.

Trustees also had exhibition in mind when they gave the green light for the new 25-ft-tall race horse barn. The elegant 120-foot-long facility features handsome gridwork to allow spectators to study the sleek standardbreds before, during and after the fair's six full days of racing. The facility, completed in early September under the supervision of 15-year building superintendent Roy Andrews, was constructed alongside the old barn built in 1916 behind the paddock area.

An enhancement to last year's new computerized betting system is the construction of a new six-window betting complex in the infield. The new building located just behind the old judges' stand along the finish line will make quinella, exacta or straight betting an easy task during each afternoon's 10-race program. Incorporated into the complex are permanent men's and ladies' restrooms. A special feature of the flat-topped structure is its concrete roof which will be turned into an observation deck at some point.

Many of this year's improvements will go unnoticed by fairgoers, such as the new electrical services, camper hookups, and more than one mile of new water lines. But some of the larger changes, like the clearing of 15 acres of pine forest this spring to make way for additional parking, will serve as a substantial backdrop to the hundreds of activities as visitors make their way around the grounds.

Street signs have been added to the highways and byways of the fair in response to the state fair association's evaluation visit last year. Of the possible 300 points on the thorough evaluation, Fryeburg scored an impressive 299. The flower show that has proven to be an overwhelming success will be back for



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MASON MAN IS GUEST ABOARD USS JOHN F. KENNEDY

James E. Everett Jr. of Mason was one of 363 guests aboard the USS John F. Kennedy when it left Portland harbor at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 14, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 16, the ship arrived at Norfolk, Va. During the interim period, Mr. Everett reports that he was treated royally aboard the 1,072-foot aircraft carrier where he was the guest of his son, Lt. Robert A. Everett.

During the cruise from Portland to Norfolk, the guests witnessed practice runs, a performance by the Navy's precision flying team, the "Blue Angels," and enjoyed a barbecue on the 4.56-acre flight deck.

Mr. Everett says it was one of the high points of his life, "an unforgettable experience."

His third consecutive year in Expo I. Described as "a breath of fresh air," the cut flower show and exhibition will feature one-hour demonstrations throughout the week with specialists offering the latest advice on floral arrangements, usually to a standing-room-only audience.

Two anniversaries will be celebrated this year, including the 30th anniversary of the Saco Valley Woodsman's Field Day, held Monday of fair week, and the 50th Baby Boot Sale, the oldest continuous sale in New England.

A 12-foot roof has been added over the equipment storage area between the farm museum and the annex and the blacksmith's shop now features a brick forge reminiscent of activities that took place a century ago.

Last year was a record week for Fryeburg as more than 500,000 people attended the eight-day event, which surpassed the \$1 million mark for the first time.

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Each week, this column will spotlight a different member of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. The purpose is to give some understanding about the various fields of endeavor of the Chamber members.

Esther Crockett, the owner and manager of the Red Top Truck Stop, on Bridge Street, in Bethel, has 19 years experience in the food service business. She formerly worked as salad chef at The Babarons, in New Hampshire, and was owner and cook at The Spa Restaurant when she owned the Naunty Block.

The restaurant is now the RFD #1. She also served as cook at the Head Start center.

Through all of its various activities, the fair took in \$1,090,314 in 1986 compared to \$867,234 in 1985 and \$867,861 in 1984. The weather was superb with light rain falling only during the evening hours. Improvements during 1986 included the construction of a 36 by 240-foot cattle barn which replaced one of the two big units used in recent years and major improvements to the main office by the Route 5 front gate. Most of the improvements were targeted for the police and security areas. Last year also saw the construction of a new portable stage and a 2,500 KVA substation to handle the power loads during fair week.

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